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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Habitat Advisory Panel to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: This meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting address: The meeting will be held at the Seaport Inn and Marina, 110 Middle Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719; telephone: (508) 997-1281; fax: (508) 996-5717.

<u>Council address</u>: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The panel will discuss and develop recommendations for preferred alternatives to

Omnibus Habitat Amendment 2 (OHA2). They also plan to discuss specific topics

related to OHA2 as requested by the Habitat committee. They will discuss other business

as necessary.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before

this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this

meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any

issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section

305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the

Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign

language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies,

Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Dated: February 25, 2015.

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Acting Deputy Director,

Office of Sustainable Fisheries,

National Marine Fisheries Service.

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